

Choose to Reduce, Reuse, and Buy Recycled for Back to School Shopping

The school year has begun and shopping for school supplies looms large for many families. Before you reach for new, take a good look at what you already have and can reuse. It can be a teaching moment for your kids about sustainability and zero waste. Keep in mind the principle of “reduce and reuse before recycle” to guide you through the process.

- Can you do without it?
- Can you reuse something from last year?
- Can you borrow or buy secondhand?
- If you must buy new, can you find a product that is made of recycled materials or can easily be recycled?

Check out this website with [examples of recycled or recyclable products](#) for school.